

Denison, KS



Randall L. Whiteaker, 58, Denison, died Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at his home, surrounded by his loving family. He had courageously been fighting ALS for five years.

He was born Dec. 8, 1958, at Harrisonville, MO, the son of Thad T. and Norma Sue Ogden Whiteaker. He graduated from Highland Park High School in Topeka in 1976, and from Kansas State University with a B.S. Degree in Wildlife Biology in 1980.

Randy worked for the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks & Tourism for 32 years, retiring in April 2013 . He was a certified Wildlife Biologist. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Valley Falls, had taught Sunday School and had been a leader in their Awana Youth Program.

Randy was an avid outdoors man and he loved teaching his daughters to hunt and fish.

He married Brenda L. Mirelez, Oct 21, 1989, at Cherokee, OK.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda, of the home; three daughters, Kara Whiteaker, St. Paul, Mariah Whiteaker, Silver Lake, and Catlin Whiteaker, Holton; his parents, Thad and Norma Whiteaker, Mayetta; two brothers, Doug Whiteaker, Ft. Scott, and Ken Whiteaker, Topeka; and a special "granddaughter," Rilley Robinson, Holton. Randy's family is looking forward to the birth of his first grandchild, later this year.

The Memorial Service will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, June 24, 2017, at Calvary Baptist Church in Valley Falls.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, Jefferson County Friends of Hospice or to ALS Association and sent c/o Mercer Funeral Home, PO Box 6, Valley Falls, KS 66088.